Fifteen Hundred Dollars Awarded to an Anthoress who Nays "Was Did" for Writing a Novel to Order for a Widow.

WATERTOWN, N. Y., Dec. 29 .- Among all the civil suits tried in Supreme Court here during the past twenty years, no case has attracted more attention or aroused more general inter-est throughout northern New York than the suit just concluded, of Miss Abi S, Jackman, by guardian, agt. Mrs. Hannah Perkins. The action was brought to recover on a contract to perform literary labor, and involved questions which are very seldom submitted to a jury composed entirely of farmers. The bargain between the parties was a very strange one, and the trial brought out many funny things ter the ediffestion of the people who crowded the court room while it was in progress. The plaintiff was represented by the Hon, Wilbur F. Porter and W. H. Gilman; the defendant by Watson M. Rogers, J. C. McCartin, and P. C.

Abi S. Jackman, the young authoress and plaintiff in the suit, is a daughter of Daniel Jackman, a farmer, who lives near Adams village in this county. "Uncle" Ben Jackman, who for many years was a hotel proprietor in this city, and who is her grandfather. Something over twenty years ago, while Uncle Ben was keeping tavern in Watertown, his son Daniel fell in love with one of the pretty girls employed in the dining room and married her. She afterward became Abi's mother, and still lives to rejoice at her daughter's literary triumphs. It cannot be said that Miss Jackman's lot has been cast among people who were suitable or congenial companions for one who desired to become famous in the orld of letters. Up to about seven years ago her life was spent with her parents, who ran a country hotel in the village of Champion, a place of about 200 inhabitants. While here she attended the district school. When her parents removed to their present abiding place in Adams, Abi attended the country school again and was afterward a student for two terms in the Adams Collegiste Institute. When Abi was not busy helping her mother

which so has been a fearn through each with tho his. Show was not form house asks of fiction, and early conceived the idea of becoming an uniforces. While attending school greater than the state of the common and uniforces while attending school entitled "A Silver kay." By the sid of friends the book was published and an edition of about for opies soid. There was no money in it for count to be 30 years of publication. The book was favorably received by Abl's friends, and the country of the countr

which was at the rate of 56 per thousand works.

While the attorneys were summing up the case the plaintiff sat facing the jury. Mr. Rogers, at the outset, characterized her as a pert, silly girl, who was attempting, by hook or creek, to get herself into notoriety, and in addition, trying to get all the money she could out of his old client. At these words the plaintiff burst into tears and continued to weep until the lawyer stopped talking.

The counsel for the plaintiff, Mr. Gilman, told the jury that the defendant was a silly and

vain old woman: that she sat before them with her face covered with paint and a heart as false as her face appeared. This speech did not have the effect of wringing tears from the defendant. She simply seewled at the young attorner, unbuttoned her scalskin cloak, leaned back in her chair, and watched him closely until he got through.

The Court, in charging the jury, said they should make due allowance for defects in the manuscript on account of the age and inexperience of the authoress, as these things were known to the defendant when the contract was made. He also said the remuneration for literary labor performed by writers of established reputation, though it might be much less than Miss Jackman was to receive, could not be taken into consideration. If it was found that a contract existed, the verdict must be for \$1,500 and interest from June 1, 1886.

It took the jury eight hours to reach the conclusion that the full amount ought to be paid. A vardict for the plaintiff was expected by nearly every one who heard the case, yet no one expected it would be for the full amount. The law does not recognize the foolishness of people in making bargains where both parties act in good faith, hence Mrs. Perkins will pay Abi Jackman a good round sum of money for work which has no particular value. Miss Jackman is receiving the congratulations of a large circle of friends, who predict great success for her in the future. In the mean time the attorneys for the defence say they will carry the case to the General Term.

WHISKEY AND WATER.

The Two Subjects that will Disturb the

Next Jersey Legislature. TRENTON, Dec. 20 .- The legislative turbulence of last winter seems likely to be offset by an era of dove-like peace at the coming session. With a Republican majority of 17 in a total of 81 on joint ballot, the largest majority either party has had in twelve years, the lamb is so far inside of the iion that there will be no difficulty about the two animals lying down together; while, for a change, the Republicans seem to have laid aside the principle of selfdevouration, which has been in past years the

rule of their political conduct.

The chief prizes to be awarded are the offices of the State Comptroller and State Treasurer. both to be elected by the Legislature in joint ballot. Comptroller Anderson has been in the

office, first as deputy under a Democrat, and then as a full-fledged Republican Comptroller, longer than a politician's memory, and has done so well by the office and by his party that as one else speaks of himself or is spoken of for the place. The fact that the office has a deal of work for rather small juy may have something to do with the comparatively easy time Major Anderson has in keeping it.

At the same time that Comptroller Anderson is reliegted because he has heen so long in the office. Treasurer John J. Toffer of Jersey City will probably be reliected because he has not been in long enough. He has served only one three-year term, and the custom is to give everybody two forms. No other candidate for the office has yet appeared.

Over the organization of the Legislature, which meets on dan 10, the contest is scarcely more lively. Col. Sam Dickinson of Jersey City and Lawyer Charles Hill of Newark are candidates for the Speakership, but Col. Dickinson's many years of legislative experience is the pole that will kneck the Speakership persument of the top branch, while Mr. Hill, who entered the Legislature only this year, is thrashing the lower limbs for the Clerkship. Or any one they choose to select. Samuel J. Toombs. Clerk in 1886, is one Essex condidates can pretty certainly have the Clerkship for any one they choose to select. Samuel J. Toombs. Clerk in 1886, is one Essex candidate. John F. Babecek, a veteran of New Brunswick, is sending circulars about the State announcing that he needs the place badly. The remnants of the spread, in the shape of minor clerkships and doorkeepers' places, will be scattered among the country crowd after Essex and Hudson have feasted. In the Shape of minor clerkships and doorkeepers' places, will be scattered among the country crowd after Essex and Hudson have feasted things will remain about as they are, except that handsome Fred Fish of Newark, who was Precident last year, having taken a wife and rejected a reelection, will make way for diminutive but doughty for th

Jersey City people will keep on drinking undi-luted Passalc.

One suggestion is that the Jersey City and Newark members combine to oppose all tem-perance legislation until the water question is settled, on the ground that it would be unjus-tifiable cruelty to shut up the breweries until something better than the Passalc River has been substituted for them.

Some of Charles G. Francklyn's Collateral. On April 16, 1887, Gordon Cunard obtained a udgment for \$152,294.50 against the Francklyn Land and Cattle Company. He assigned that claim to Radeliffe Baldwin, who has brought suit on it. In 1885 the company sold to Stephens & Lytle of Kansas City an immense drove of cattle for \$106,334. The payment was in ten promissory notes, with a chattel mortgage on the cattle as collateral. Mr. Baldwin asserts that on Sept. 1, 1886. Charles G. Francklyn, President of the company, fraudulently took the notes and gave them to Morton. Bliss & Co., and Kessler & Co. as security for his individual indebtedness to them. They have since passed into other hands. Mr. Baldwin asks that the notes be restored, and all the transactions be declared void, and the notes applied to the payment of Cunard's claim. Mr. Francklyn owned a controlling interest in the cattle company. claim to Radcliffe Baldwin, who has brought

Rush for Booth-Barrett Tickets. The sale of tickets for "Julius Cæsar," which is to be performed at the Academy of Music, with Booth as Brutus and Barrett as Cassius, began at 9 A. M. yesterday. The crowd of speculators and others who were on hand early exlators and others who were on hand early exceeded even the crush when Irving first came over. The line formed in the early hours of the morning, and by the time the box office was opened more than 200 impatient buyers fretted and fumed from the entrance on Irving place around the corner of Fourteenth street. Four of Capt. Clinchy's policemen had all they could do to maintain order. Several persons tried to get blocks of tickets, evidently for speculative purposes, but they were restrained to four. Fancy prices were offered to those who were lucky enough to get choice seats.

Civil War in Chinatown. Chinatown is divided against itself. The Lung Gee Tong faction on the one side and the Chyo faction on the other are contending for Chyo faction on the other are contending for possession or the control of the Chinese interests in Mott street, namely, the fees and perquisites derived from the numerous fan-tan and opium joints which have been enjoyed exclusively by one faction. Now the other side want a share of the spoils. While this bitter strife goes on Chinatown is in mourning, as it were, and all the joints, fan-tan, and policy shops are closed. They will not be opened again until the family quarrel is over, and the family quarrel will not be over probably until some one's bad blood is spilled.

Another of the Old-time Fire Laddles Cone Lewis G. Wells, Chief Clerk in the Construc-Lewis G. Wells. Chief Clerk in the Construc-tion Department of the Brocklyn Navy Yard, died on Sunday at 205 Rodney street. Brooklyn. He was born in the Eleventh ward of this city, and graduated from the old Fifth street school when Mr. Yan Vleck was princi-pal. He was the last of the hand that used to assemble after school in Azehandle Smith's old workshop. He was an enthusiastic yachteman, and in his younger days an ire laddie who carried the signal for old 44 at night fires in the Eleventh ward forty years ago.

A New Type-setting Bevice. The Lagerman Typotheter Company yester-The Lagorman Typolheter Company yester-day afternoon gave a private exhibition of a new type-setting machine, the invention of Alexander Lagerman, a Swedish mechanician. The type are set with both hands by dropping them into a funnel immediately in front of the space tox. A set of fingers and cams bring the type into pesition. It is expected that with the said of this machine compositors will be able to set and justify almost twice as much type in the same time as hereto-fors.

The Ones to Get. Get Allcock's Perous Plasters: they Will drive your aches and pains away, As one and all who use them say.—Ads. A RICH ATTOTTON MALE.

Hi-gotten Treasures of Art Displayed for the Temptation of Engala Hunters-A Throng Admiring Sarbaric Splender. An old man in a shabby overcoat, a silk hat that needed brushing, and other attire to correspond, shambled along a fashionable street facing the Park yesterday morning about 8 o'clock, with his head stretched out in front, as if following a scent. At a commonplace-looking house be stopped, assured himself by a glance that the number was the one he sought, and plunged into the hallway. Others, men and women, but all shabby and edorous of second-handedness, with noses created to seent bargains, followed hard after him. As the day were on the throng increased, and re-ceived different elements until, by nightfall, the portals had opened for about as mixed and incongruous a crowd as the neighborhood ever saw. After the middle of the day fashionably dressed women, natty young business men, aged matrons on the arms of gray-haired embodiments of dignity and respectability, and occasional groups of young women, coming in carringes or on foot, crowded out the more commercial herd who had been the earliest and

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most interested callers.

The secret of these visitations was that all the gorgeous furniture of the house was to be sold at auction.

Grave young men and aged colored ones. solemn a undertakers' assistants, received all comers alike and ushered them through the mansion, decorously courteous under every affliction. Visitors who gazed on the magnificent furnishings with gushing enthusiasm. stepped with awed slience upon the velvet car-pets and among the gorgeous works of art, admired the pictures and the Japanese jugs with indiscriminate idolatry, feit daintily of the

silken quilts, marvelled at the softness of the mattresses beneath, and wondered with innocent curiosity at the mirrors concealed in the rich hangings of the beds, flushed crimson with rich hangings of the beds, flushed crimson with delighted surprise to match one room, or turned yellow with envy at the golden treasures in another, were all awarded the same treatment by the attendants; and no different was that accorded to a class who snified at the paintings, wondered if the mirrors were real French plate, rubbed their feet suspiciously over the carpet, held the portieres up to the light, pinched the tapestries to make sure they were not painted, tapped the chandellers to see whether the pendants were real crystal or only pressed, hunted up the maker's mark on the furniture, turned brie-abrac cupids upside down to see if they were real or only American imitation, hefted the bronzes, cut surreptitious samples from the bottoms of lace curtains, scratched ebony cabinets for fear they might be only painted, and wound up by wanting to know "how much of this stuff belongs here, and how much is brought here just for this occasion?"

All alike went away marveilling. There was no more enthusiasm in the young woman who exclaimed. "If pa doesn't get everything in that bedroom for my Christmas I'll just die; I know I shall!" than in the matron who never saw "such magnificent pariors in all my life; positively never." The sympathetic old lady who assured her aged spouse that it was "a burning shame for such elegant things to go that way." was no more honest than the man who plucked a quivering beard and ejaculated. "So hellup me grashious, ve musd ged some ov dose tings, no madder of ve pay haf vat dey are vort."

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And of them all—Jew and Gentile, Philistine and arathets, man, maid, and matron—not a half dozen knew that they had been inspecting the private residence of a woman who, living here under one name alone and secluded even from her intimates, is under another name notorious not only in this city, but throughout the country as the owner and manager of numerous houses better, if less reputably, known, and from whose audacity not even Fifth avenue has been spared. It is said that nearly \$200,000 has been expended in fitting up this comparatively small house, which now, after two years of occupancy, the owner, through some new whim or temporary need of cash, deigns to throw open to the inspection of the ordinary world to be knocked down to the highest bilder.

The hall gives little hint of the treasures beyond, although if the light were better the tapestries, "Reine d'Amazons" and "Caught Napping." hanging on either side of the door, would attract attention. Another still larger tapestry hangs in the dusk by the stairs. A life-size figure of "The Banjoist," rarely well done, catches a little light from an open door at the back, while clear in the rear two gigantic bearskins, reaching from the celling to the floor, hang against the walls now, although ordinarily spread upon the floors. A curious gilt and pearl monkey, thrusting forward an ill-shapen nose and a card receiver, a quaint old Dutch hall clock, and covered chairs of teak and other rare woods also furnish the hall.

The parlor is shut off by heavy terra cotta portières a step through which is a step from sombre richness into gorgeous magnificence, it is a room of black and gold, framed in heliotrope. The leet sink in the deep pile of a nearly white Axminster, with faint figures of vines and flowers. Light glows from thirty candles in an elaborate chandeller of brass set with colored stones. The walls are of furfiture is a laborate chandeller of brass set with colored stones. The walls are of furfiture

The most conspicious tains in the room is a giganite irreplace of brass, ornamented with tiles, and with Louis XVI, fenders and mantel ornaments. In a room large enough to stand it, it would be a magnificent piece of furniture, it would be a magnificent piece of furniture, the only startling of once galast good taste that there is in the house. Henry IV, done in life size, bronze, by Bosio, and a bronze Othello, beautifully done by Rienti, are on either side in front of the freplace, and back of them are, on the right, a marble girl. "Feeding her Peis." by Luigi Branchi, and a marble group, "Who Sleeps Catches No Fish," by E. Danti. In front of the mirror, mounted on a huge pedestal of old gold plush, is a bronze group, "Marley Horse." "Phryne Before her Judgas," "The Nymph and the Satyr." "Kings Alfred and Arthur." "Ledia and the Swan," and "The Coquette" are others of the dozen bronzes that fill up odd corners. An abony cabliest ten fest wide, and cromers. An abony cabliest ten fest wide, and come of the same wood, fled eith ranched brace, stand at the sides of the entrance. The walls are hung with paintings. "Venus's Levee," by Fr. Wagenor, showing the goddess in the woods, with a dove in her hand and little nude children thronging about, is on one side of the fireplace, and a large painting of a meditative maiden at a casement, by R. Ernst, on the other. "Feeding Cattle" and "Forest of Fontainehleau" are by H. Maes. Mazzoni has "Repose," a tiny nude, and "The Nea Nymph" rising to kiss the galaint fisher laid into oblivion and death by drowning. "Mother and Child." "Walting," by Alfred Revens, and Lord and Lady Galinesborough in pigue for easily and the standard and chickens" a gen by Eugene Verboeckhoven, and on another a group of women at the bath, on a Vienna plaque in a gold and plush frame.

Scattered everywhere are bits of china, bronze, and marble, all works of art, while scarfs, cushions, and drapings of heliotrope satin, embroidered or painted, are placed at every available point. There sare over 10

THE GIRLS WERE PRIGHTENED. They were Afraid they were to be Photo-

surance Company's building. In Newark, about 100 young women are employed in manipulat-Ing type writers and doing other clerical labor.

Last week the company set out to have pictures taken of all the departments, and not a word of objection was raised until the photographer set up his tripod in this department. The young women had heard of the project, and believing that the pictures were to be circulated as advertisements, they rebelled and rushed to their dressing rooms. Actuary Lunger became angry at their conduct and ordered them back to their seats, as it was reported, at the peril of being discharged. They all returned to their places, but resolutely turned their heads away from the camera until he commanded them to face the instrument. Then many of the girls grimaced or bobbed around so as to spoil the picture. The proofs were unsatisfactory, it is said, and the photographer had to try it again. This time he had a little better success, and the girls whose pictures are recognizable were ao indignant that they told the story to their friends.

Vice-President Ward said yesterday that the company did not want the pictures of the girls at all. The pictures of the departments were wanted for the offices of agents in other cities, He denied that Mr. Lunger had threatened to dismiss any of the girls if they would not have their pictures taken. Last week the company set out to have pictures

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.-The scheme of the PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 20.—The scheme of the Pennsylvania Raliroad Company for the establishment of an employees asvings institution has been perfected, and to-day President goberts issued a circular outlining the plan. Any employee may deposit with any freight or ticket agent designated to receive the same, any sum that the president of the control of the president desiring to withdraw will be required to give ten days' notice.

some of the things in this room, where a fortune has been spent to satisfy a whim.

Up stairs in the front room the contentful, seft purity of the white, gold and pink parior gives place to heavier, richer languor of faint yellow. It is a Louis XVI, room, done in canary. The ceiling is of canary satin, tufted, enclosing panels of mirrors. The carpet is a light, faint-figured Axminster. All the drapings are canary satin except the muntel lambrequin, which is a marvel of canary plush, with a brass peacock sporting a luge tall of real feathers for a fender. Two etchings, framed in silvered and plushed frames, on brass easels in opposite corners, are all that break the canary harmony of the room. One is pink, Morning blown in on a cloud enticing a shadowy figure: the other black, a mude figure with bat-like winser—Night, probably, driven back by dim, mysterious nothing. They are not after the Whister school, although their description sounds that way. "The Fisherman's Children." terra-cuts statues of rare success, stand on either side of the mantel. A marble child, "Unwilling Prayers," by E. Tosti, with a bisque, "Willing Prayers," by E. Tosti, with a bisque, "Willing Prayers," by E. Tosti, with a bisque, "Willing Prayers," for a companion, and a painted porcelain plaque, "The Feast of the Cupida." are other works of art in the room. A beautiful gift Louis XVI, cabinet is filled and covered with costly bricabrae, including two frames phaeles, one Cupid stealing upon the maidens, the other Cupid bound and teased by the maidens, the other Cupid bound and teased by the maidens. The furniture is all of gilt and canary satin, the otocatools of canary plush, and the ornaments, scarfs, and draperies are all chosen to add to the rooft yellow effect. The mirrored walls extend the room vaguely all around.

In the rear room on the Name floor is the climax of the house, the very extremest opposite from the dream of white, gold, and plnk in the middle parior. The sir throbe with crimson, touched off with white and black, all ti

THEIR WATCH DOGS POISONED.

People who live on Hunt's Point road, in the Twenty-third ward, are alarmed at the wholesale poisoning of watch dogs which has occurred there. This had been going on for some time, and suspicions were aroused that there was a plot afoot to rob the houses. These suspicions were confirmed when it was learned suspicions were confirmed when it was learned on Thursday that the house of Mr. Frederick E. Ives had been broken into and robbet the night before. The thieves entered through the basement and carried off sliverware.

The residents of this neighborhood are all well to do and they complain of the lack of efficient police service in their district. They are obliged to rely to a great extent on the watchfulness of their dogs. Col. David E. Austen of the Thirteenth Regiment found nine of his dogs poisoned one morning, and was able to save their lives only with great difficulty. Mr. Watson, at the head of a large wool firm down town, lost a very valuable mastiff last week, killed by poison. Dogs on the Fox and Hoe estates have also been poisoned.

Police Transfers. The Police Commissioners yesterday dis-

missed Policeman Christopher Clarke and George B. McDaniels of the East Sixty-sixth street station for intoxication, and dropped Policeman James Crohan of the West Thirtyseventh street station from the roll for absence without leave. Sergeant Michael L. Booney of

the Grand Ceptral Depot was retired upon \$800 pension. The resignation of Policeman Charles Hoffman of Twenty-second street was accepted. Roundsman Charles S. Baker of Tremont made application for civil service examination for a Sergeantey.

Transferred—Sergeant Nelson J. Haradan from Eighty-eighth street to Thirty-fifth street: Sergeant Henry Stainkamp from Grand Central Depot to Tremont; Cornelius J. Reed from Thirty-fifth street to Eighty-eighth street; Roundsman Charles Baker from Old slip to Tremont: Policemen James J. Nally from Fifty-ninth street to Tremont; John Cavanagh from Prince street to Twentieth street; Dennis McCarthy from Old slip to Mulberry street; William Robinson from Fifty-ninth street to Thirtieth street; Joseph J. Craig from Fifty-ninth street to Thirty-seventh street; Patrick J. Hunt to the Charles street station for three days. Mayor Hewitt, Alderman Beekman, and

Commissioner Coleman visited Randall's Island yesterday afternoon to see where and what for the money is to be spent that is asked for by the Commissioners of Charities and Correction. The Mayor was grumpy until he got among the babies. There were lots of them, but the Mayor saw them all, and patted and petted them like a good City Father. "What do they play with?" he asked Miss Sheridat

"What do they play with?" he asked Miss Sheridan
"We don't have any baby toys," she answered,
"except a few that are sent by private individuals." "What!" exclaimed the Mayor. "No rattles?"
"No, not even a rattle." The Mayor's head
drooped meditatively, and he turned away muttering sadly, "No rattles; not even a rattle."
If anybody should want to send the children
some toys, and will send them to the Commissioners at Eleventh street and Third avenue,
the Commissioners will take them to the babies.

The Sun and the World.

One of the gentlemen who help to handle and control all papers on the main line and branches of the New Jersey Central Railroad said to a Sun reporter on Saturday:

said to a Sun reporter on Saturday;

"The World has lost one-third of its circulation on this line of railroad since its desertion of the New York Democracy in November last. Every dealer on the main line and the Long Branch division orders just so many less. Nearly all this has been gained by The Sun, although, of course, some of the loss has been picked up by the other papers. The Sun grows in popularity every day. No one has such an opportunity to watch the popularity of a paper as we have."

An Old Citizen's Will,

Probate Clerk Charles H. Beckett filed the will of Joseph Shaler Ives of Morrisanta yesterday. It was dated April 30, 1887. The testator rays that his obwas dated April 30, 1837. The testator says that his ob-ject is to make such disposition of his property as will be likely to be most useful and accomplish the greatest good. He gives his binocular microscope to his nephew. Albert J. Milbank, and the membership certificate of his grandfather. Joseph Shaler, in the society of the Cin-cinnait, signed by George Washington, to deorge Good eith of Bristol. Conn. This legates also receives all of the testator's relies of the Revolution. \$2.090 is given to the American Bible Society, \$1.090 to the American Home Mission Society, \$1.000 to the American Tract Society, and \$1.000 to the Children's Aid Society. Henry R. Mil-bank and Albert J. Milbank are executors.

Johnston's Men's Furnishings.

J. W. Johnston of 260 Grand street has been in the men's furnishing business at the same stand for over twenty nine years, and it is not strange that he over twenty nine years, and it is not strange that he should be well known and respected by a large number of customers. For neckwer, dress shirts, and finance undergarments he has been especially famous, and the season he offers some startling bergains and remarks ble lines in these words. He has recently secured a warried assortment of Dr. Jarger's imported woollens, tall fornia fiannels, and men's levery jackets. In his glow department and smong his very large display of collar, and cuffs may be found many new styles and attractive bargains.

Delay on the Bridge.

The cable dropped off of two of the sheaves beneath the first car of a train that was about to start from the New York end of the Brooklyn Bridge at about from the sew fork end of the brooklyn strings at about 645 o'clock last night. The train had to be pushed out of the way before the cable could be replaced, and then hauled hack again. This caused a clear which blocked the trains on the other track and flied the entrance to the bridge with a moist and exasperated crowd. It was all over in three minutes.

The Aldermen yesterday laid over a resolu-The Alderman yesterday Inid Over a resolu-tion that requested the Comproller to pay the bill of \$412 for the funeral of the late Alderman Corcorau. Among the Rems were bedges, \$62.50; one floral design, \$160; forty pairs of gloves \$69; carriages, \$50; draping the chamber of the Board, \$80. The Alderman adopted a resolution yesterday to pay \$256 for engrossing and framing resolutions rejutive to the death of Alderman Masterson.

Insane Emile Girod at Large. Emile Girod, an insane locksmith, quietly

Elimie Girod, an Insane locksmith, quietly slipped out of the Essex County Insane Asylum at New ark yesterday and disappeared. He is still at large. He is a fractable patient, who has been permitted to work about the institution. At long intervals, however, he has violent spells.

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TUESDAY, Dec. 20. Speculation in stocks was practically at a standstill to-day. Without exception, it was the dullest day of the year upon the Stock Exchange. But despite the dulness, the indifference of foreign dealers, the reduction of rates by the Granger roads, and the current discussion relative to industrial and political affairs. the market did not decline. This was not the fault of the local traders. They sold stocks as freely as they dared, considering that there was no pressure to sell from any other quarter. But late in the day they apparently became convinced that operations for short account are

easion to remember at this time. The most encouraging feature of the market at the moment is the fact that it does not succumb to the dulness. Of course, it may be argued that the firmpess is artificial, but it would be difficult to prove that such is the case. The holdcult to prove that such is the case. The holders of stocks show no disposition to part with them, and, on the other hand, there is no force in the market sufficient to start a bear campaign with a view of influencing liquidation. The holders of stocks, while appreciating that there are circumstances bearing upon the speculative situation at present that keep the short interest in the market, appear to be entirely satisfied, or at least confidently hopeful of the future.

In the Unlisted Department Cotton Oil Trusts declined from 29 to 28%, and Chicago Gas Trusts sold at 38. The market closed from at about the best prices, which showed an average net advance of about 1, w cent.

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Government bonds dull. The 4s closed 'a F cent. lower. Railway bonds quilet but firm. The few noteworthy net changes were advances in Chesapeake and Onio currency 6s 2 % F cent. to 24 %; Denver and Rio Grande 1sts. 1, to 119 %; Kansas and Texas consol. 7s., 2s. to 106 %; general 6s. %, to 74, and 3s. 1 F cent. to 64 %.

Money on call. 5 F cent.
Sterling exchange in fair demand. Posted asking rates unchanged. Actual rates, \$4.82 \(\text{@\$4.82} \) for long bills and \$4.85 \(\text{@\$4.82} \) for de-

mand.

In bank stocks, 123 shares of Park Bank sold at 170%173, and 105 shares of Bank of Commerce at 167%6167.

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J. O. Moas, Edward Lauterbach, and James Swann were to-day elected directors of the Richmond and West Point Terminal Company in the places of R. P. Flower, R. I. Wilson, and Wm. Rockefeller, who declined to serve. The resignation of thenry Fink as Vice-President of the company was accepted. At the annual meeting of the Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, which will be held at Richmond to-morrow, Mr. George S. Seott will be elected President, to succeed Alfred Sully, and the following directors: Harris C. Frainestock, Calvin S. Brice, Charles M. McGhee, Samuel Thomas, Join G. Moore, John H. Imman, George F. Slone, John G. Moore, John H. Imman, George F. Slone, John G. Moore, John H. Imman, George F. Slone, all of this city, and the Hon, John S. Barber of Virginia. Those whose names are printed in italies served as directors last year. The retiring members of the Board are E. D. Christian, J. H. Dooley, Thomas M. Logan, and J. B. Pace of Richmond, Va., and R. K. Dow, H. M. Flagler, and Isaac G. Rice of New York.

The consolidation of the Fulton National Bank with the Market National Bank under the name of the Market and Fulton National Bank, which has been in process since last summer, was formally completed this afternoon. The officers of the new institution will be those of the late Market Bank, and next May it will commence the crection of a new building on Gold street, between Fulton and Ann.

The Long Island Ballroad Company reports

The Long Island Railroad Company reports for the year ended Sept. 30: Gross earnings \$1,197,498
Operating expenses 1,850,407 \$1,340,001 132,450 Net earnings..... \$740,249 585,265 400,000 185,265 822,560 128,555 100,230 There is a slight decrease in the Treasury balances:

The amount of buillion withdrawn from the Bank of England on bulance to-day, £42,000; discount in the open market in London, 2% to 2% F cent. Paris advices quote 3 F cents at 81.27%.

TURSDAY, Dec. 20.—FLOUR AND MEAL—The market has been dult and weak, but closes areadier. Quoted: Flour. # bbl.—No. 2. \$2.15682,50; superfine. \$2.45682.50; supperfine. \$2.45682.50; supperfine. \$2.45682.50; supperfine. \$2.45682.50; supperfine. \$2.45682.50; supperfine. \$2.45682.50; supperfine. \$2.75682.5; supping extras. \$8.156682.35; family brands. \$2.75682; shapping extras. \$8.156882.35; family brands. \$2.75682.85. Corn meal. \$3683.25 for Western, and \$3.20.683.25 for Brandywine. Buckwheat dour. # 100 Bs. \$2.10682.95. Corn meal. \$3683.25 for Western, and \$3.20.683.25 for Brandywine. Buckwheat dour. # 100 Bs. \$2.10682.15.

Cornon—Putures opened this morning quite depressed, under a sharp decline at Liverpool. where the recent advance had been sufficient to bring forward sellers to resilize prufits. But the sellers there became buyers in this unarket and, on the indusince of this demand, the oarly decline was almost entirly recovered, and the closes was tim. The Southern markets were unsettled. The simult receipts at distression and \$1. Louis were an element of the sellers and the close was quoted 1-186. Receipts at the ports this day, 33.256 distributed by the since Sept. 1, 3.107.2830 bales; corresponding period last season, 3.328.6371 bales, sales of futures, 115.00 bales, since Sept. 1, 3.107.2830 bales; corresponding period last season, 3.328.6371 bales, sales of futures the complex to the following are closing prices bid. December. 10.40 April. 10.77. August. 10.53

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on the market, but at over price than those recently current.

Naval, Storge-Spirits turpentine more active and firmer at 374-238c. Rooin steady on poor, and dull on fine grades. Quoted: Common to good strained, \$1.074, 625, 1296; medium, \$1.2064, 88: fine to choice, \$2.206, 83:25 % obl. Tar firm at \$2, and pitch, \$1.35.

Paradiagua-Unide certificates continue active, but prices closed easier; opening at 812c, \$400,000 bbls.

Live Stock Market. New York, Tuesday, Dec. 20.—No market to-day for beeven. An exporter of beef received its car-londs, and some 35 car loads of sale cattle, export steers, and butleters' cattle were back. Steady for dressed beef at 56.7c. # B. for devent to good native sides, and Typics. for prime and extra do. Shipments, 3, ice quar-ters of beef. Cable advices from London and Liverpool quote American steers dult at 116,124c. # B. dressed weight, and American refrigerator beef steady at 8c. # B. slicep and lambs were slow at unchanged prices. Common to good sheep sold at Micellac. P.B., a car load of premium do, from Kentucky, 154 Be average, at the and common to prime lambs at 5 at Mc. Receipts. Oles, and common to prime lambs at 5-204(c). Receipts, 2.754.
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100 Ba., but closed dult and the # 100 ba lower. Receipts, 2,500.

Court Calendars-This Day.

But late in the day they apparently became convinced that operations for short account are, for the moment, unprofitable, so they began to cover, and in consequence the market recovered all it lost early in the day.

In only two stocks was there any decided movement. Kansas and Texas stock, together with all the other securities of the company, were favorably influenced by the definite direction that the efforts to investigate the condition of the comnany have assumed. The completion of the Richmond Terminal Board of Directors doubtless helped that stock. The greatest activity was in St. Paul, which stock was heavy in the early dealings, but advanced with the rost of the market toward the close.

Harely has the holiday scaron affected the market so pronouncedly as this year. This is not unnatural, considering that the year has been an unusually quiet one throughout, that is so far as the volume of transactions is concerned. Some of its events have been stirring enough, as probably nearly every one has oc-

MARINE INTELLIGENCE. MINIATURE ALMANAC-THIS BAY.

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Arrived-Turspar, Dec. 20.

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Se Portis, Dawson, Sauris, P. E.
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Sch. T. G. Smith, Swahm, Richmond. ACRIVED OUT.

Sa Alaska, from New York for Liverpool, has passed is Suevia, from New York, at Hamburg.

'Tis An III Wind

That brings with it guets of rain from the northeast When the wind blows from that quarter on a wet day, the rhemnatic are apt to suffer, even if seated by their "ain comfortable ingle" in a cosey armchair. A few wineglassfuls of HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS. most genial and comforting of specifics-will afford them unspeakable relief. There is ample proof on record of its efficacy in this disease, more particularly if used for its relief at the outset. Chills and fever, dyspepsis, constipation, liver complaint, and a lack of tone in the kidneys and bladder should also be treated with this useful family medicine of botanic origin. Appetite im-proves, refreshing slumber once more visits the weary evelids of the nervous, and the circulation is enriched and accelerated in consequence of its invigorating and regulating action. Use it as a protector after getting wet.

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Dress Shirts, Hamilterchiefs, Mufflers, Suspenders Sloves, Scarfs, Hes, and Sik Umbrelius, J. W. JOHNSTON, 250 Grand St., New York, Also, 370 6th av., three doors above 284 st.

Men's Patent Lenther Shoes, \$4.75 a pair; hand-ewed French cait, \$4.47, worth \$4; cork soles, \$4.47, worth \$8. KENNEDY, 20 Cortiandt st.

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DIED.

BENJAMIN.—Suddenly, in New London, Conn., ob Dec. 12, Win. P. Renjamin, in the John year of his age., Block Lillouff.—son Simay, Dec. 12, Kim. R. wile of George Blockelloung, aged 32 years and 8 months. Residives and fremis of the lamily are invited to attend the funeral from her late residence, 10 ist st. and 11 in Av., tookay at 12 M.; thone or 8st. London Connected, 3st. 7th and 8th ave. Interment in Loulieran Cemeters, 13st. Amount of the funeral from her late of the following Mary A. willow of dilbers. Relatives and friends are invited to attend the funeral on Wednesday, Dec. 21, at 21. M. from her late residence, 13 Herkimer st., Brookiva. Frease omit flowers. BURSTMAN.—On Sanday, Dec. 18, at his late residence, 226 Kast 22d st., teorge Borstman. Relatives and friends also members of Jackson Club, Highlands, N. J., Lafayette Fire Association, Exempt Firemen's Association, Veterant Firemen's Association, and Volunteer Firemen's Association are invited to attend the funeral services at Valvary Chapt. 23d st., near 3d av., this evening at 8.35 o'clock.

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BEOWN.—On Monday, Bev. 19, or pneumonia, Willie, only son of Andrew H. and Annie L. Brown, aged by ears and 9 months.

BURSTIDGE—At Cannes france, on Nov. 28, Dr. Levi S. Burridge. to day at 10 A. M. relatives and friends are invited to attend. ER.—In San Francisco George E. eldest son of Mery and the late M. Butter, formerly of New York, UASMDY.—On Tuesday, Bec. 2A after a brief illiness, High Gassidy, in his 42d year.

Funeral from his late residence, 830 West 14th at, on Thursday, Dec. 24, at 10 A. M.; thence to 8t. Bernard's Church, 14th at. between 8th and 9th avs., where a solernn requirem mass will be offered for the repose of his soul. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend without further notice. Interment at 8t. Peter's Cennetery, Jersey City. Please omit flowers.

CRANE —At Plainfield, N. J. on Dec. 10, labelia Walk, er Crane, aged 7d years.

CULLERIE—At Seatherd, N. J., on Dec. 18, Myrtilla DISMINIZ—At 8t. Vincent's Hospital, on Sunday, Dec. 18, Marco Duschnitz.

Funeral to-day at 10 A. M. from hospital, 11th 8t. and 7th av.

Finn-A for Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1887, William Finn.

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Clinton R., eldest child of a control of the contro SEERY—On Monday, Dec. 10, at his late residence, 21st West 17th st., John Serry, in the 70th year of his age. Detroit papers please copy.

SSHEKHAN—At the residence of her daughter, Bliddletown, N. Y., Mrs. Mary Sheridan, a native of Fintona, county Tyrone, Ireland.

Funeral Iron St. Stephen's Church, East 28th st., on Thursday at 10 29 A. M. Interment at Calvary.

SMITH—At Setanket, L. J., on Dec. 18, Waiter Smith, aged 54 years, an old volunteer fireman, and formerly foreman of Eagle Hose Company No. 1.

Friends are respectfully invited to attend the funeral be at Setanket, at the long of the transfer of the set of th

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